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VILLAGES OF HOPE:

Resident closer to dream of becoming a nurse

Villages of Hope resident Stephanie Bordenave is getting closer to her dream of becoming a registered nurse, thanks to a \$2,000 grant from Upward Bound, a federally funded education program.

Through a recommendation from Villages of Hope Director Linsey Driskill, Bordenave, 21, was selected to receive the grant, which is helping pay for her 4-year-old daughter's day care while she attends Palm Beach Community College.

Bordenave moved to the United States from Haiti six years ago with her brother. She and her daughter have been residents at Villages of Hope, a faith-based transitional-living community for homeless youths.

"I've known from the moment I met Stephanie that she has a never-ending drive to create a good life for herself and her daughter," Driskill said.

After completing her associate's degree in 2009, Bordenave said she wants to transfer to a four-year university to continue her education and become a registered nurse.

"I feel like a large weight has been taken off my shoulders, knowing that my daughter is being taken care of while I'm going to school," Bordenave said.

For information about Village of Hope, call (561) 775-7195, or visit www.villagesofhope.net.

For information about Upward Bound, visit www.ed.gov/programs/triupbound/index.html.



Stephanie Bordenave and her daughter, Christy